

NEED CLASS CONSCIOUS FIGHTER IN U. S. SENATE

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

IF EVER there was need, and opportunity, for a class-reaction fighting man in the Senate of the United States, it is just now, in the closing days of the Sixty-second Congress.

A big-hearted, direct, no-holding-man-in-waited-a-fellow who would pitch the whole debris of the "Clerodae manarros" and the Boche-feller General Education fraud into the middle of the Senate floor, torn the torch of human protest into R, and meet with right and left bolts of unmeasured wrath the four-cruel

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Levities and Writings and Legends as they swarmed to put out the flame.

Nobody Cares.

That's the thing about this Senate business that makes a class-conscious worker about as much as a cat on a hot tin roof. Nobody cares that just ahead are great fields of human emancipation, rich with the fruits of released human talent.

Nobody sees that the Congress of the United States holds the keys that can unlock these fields to the despairing, driven millions of toilers.

Nobody sees anything but the misery and the brutalized victim of misery, infinitely multiplied and shamed to a whining undertone.

Nobody in the Senate thinks of doing anything but the thing as possible. MAN, raising a rebel yell and striking

Suppose he offered a resolution creating a Committee on Poverty. Suppose he discussed the need for facing the problem of abolishing poverty. Suppose he insisted upon his demand, and made objection to every bit of business requiring unanimous consent.

Not Marching With Humanity.

Suppose, then, he offered amendments to all general bills in turn as they came before the Senate, and that his amendments provided for immediate steps toward social justice. Suppose he asked for public ownership of the leading industries, creation of a national Bureau of Housing, the elimination of unequal education in high school and colleges, granting of annual travel-holidays at government expense, as a national health conservation

down the bars to control of the fields of normal human development.

Nobody thinks in terms of evolution. The Senate neither thinks nor cares, for if it thought it would go seriously wrong, it would prepare for Tomorrow's reckoning, and if it cared it would do the reckoning for humanity without a warning.

What Banker-Senator does.

misature, or onfred any other group measure within the power of Congress, if it but musters the courage to face humanity's problem. Suppose, but wake up. The Senate does not care. It is not marching with humanity, in this January of the year 1915.

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 "No," this Senator of January
 1915? Why, bless you! Senator
 Smith of Michigan goes home to
 Grand Rapids to attend to the busi-
 ness of his bank, or somewhere
 else to visit relatives, while the
 Seamen's bill, 20 years kicked about
 Congress, waits for its enactment
 or failure upon his return.
 He is a member of the House-and-
 Senate conference upon this bill.

Two poor, weak bills intended to save the title to water power sites to the government, but to leave the power to the "trusts" for a trifling rental for haul!

are dragged into Senate confirmation as a place of corruption statehood. One bill is slaughtered by committee, and a straight-out corporation grab is put in its place. The other trailing bill gets on the Senate calendar. This is all the Senate will do nothing to help save the water power, even under a 60-year lease

to corporations. What does Sen. Hoke Smith care? What meaning has the national fund of natural resources to Senator Pomeroy of Ohio, or Senator Saulsbury of Delaware?

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